

## Association for Jewish Studies Conference 2010

### Relevant Readings

Provided by the Berman Jewish Policy Archive at NYU Wagner ([www.bjpa.org](http://www.bjpa.org))

#### Sunday December 19

9:30-11:00am

##### Methods, Challenges, Paradigms: Doing Research on the Jews

Chair: **Fern Chertok** (Brandeis University)

*Discovering the Networks of the Taglit Generation*

**Charles Kadushin** (Brandeis University) and **Michelle Shain** (Brandeis University)

*Encountering Hostility to Jews: Research Ethics and Interim Findings from Conversations with the Westboro Baptist Church*

**Hillel Gray** (Miami University)

*Identifying Indicators for Secularism in Israel and among Diaspora Jews*

**Ariela Keysar** (Trinity College)

- [Tourists, Travelers, and Citizens: Jewish Engagement of Young Adults in Four Centers of North American Jewish Life](#) by **Fern Chertok, Theodore Sasson, Leonard Saxe** (2009)
- [Social Networks and Jews](#) by **Charles Kadushin** (2009)
- [Religious Beliefs of Teenagers and Their Parents: God is In, Gender Difference is Out](#) by **Ariela Keysar** and **Barry Kosmin** (1997)
- [Generation Birthright Israel: The Impact of an Israel Experience on Jewish Identity and Choices](#) by **Cohen Center for Modern Jewish Studies** (2009)

11:15am-1:00pm

##### Exploring Jewish Identity: The Australian and New Zealand Population Study

Chair: **Mark Baker** (Monash University)

*Context (or Community) in the Determination of Jewish Identity*

**Andrew Markus** (Monash University)

*Examining the Least Connected: "Cultural Residue," "Symbolical Ethnicity," or a Different Pathway toward Sustaining Jewish Continuity?*

**John Goldlust** (Monash University)

*Investigating the Impact of Holocaust Background on Jewish Identity: Comparing Strength in Jewish Identity of Three Generations of Holocaust Survivors in an Australian Sample*

**Nicky Jacobs** (Monash University)

Respondent: **Ira Sheskin** (University of Miami)

- [A Distant Affinity: The History of Australian-Jewish Relations](#) by **Tzvi Fleischer** and **Colin Rubenstein** (2007)
- [The Jewish Community of Australia and Its Challenges](#) by **Jeremy Jones** (2006)
- [Intermarriage Among Jewish Australians](#) by **Gary Eckstein** (2003)
- [How Jewish Communities Differ: Variations in the Findings of Local Jewish Population Studies](#) by **Ira Sheskin** (2001)
- [Representation in Five Jewish Communities: Australia, Canada, France, the Netherlands, and the USA](#) by **Daniel Elazar** (1999)
- [Issues, Challenges, and Priorities Facing the Australian Jewish Community and its Jewish Community Professionals](#) by **Ken Lander** (1997)

**11:15am-1:00pm**

**Reinterpreting Jewish Continuity**

Chair: **Sherry Israel** (Independent Scholar)

*Yours, Mine, and Ours: Fairness and Gender in Intermarried Couples' Lives*

**Jennifer Thompson** (Drake University)

*Unintentional Hybridities: Christian Elements in Jewish Interfaith Families*

**Samira Mehta** (Emory University)

*"Shikasas are for practice": Dismantling the Myths behind the "Other" Woman*

**Keren R. McGinity** (Brandeis University/University of Michigan)

Respondent: **Ann Braude** (Harvard Divinity School)

- [Counting What Matters: A Roundtable](#) by **Keren McGinity** et. al (2010)
- [Intermarriage: Reframing Discourse and Action](#) by **Leonard Saxe** et. al (2008)
- [Ethnic Capital and Intermarriage: A Case Study of American Jews](#) by **Sylvia Barack Fishman, Benjamin Phillips** (2006)
- [Non-Jews in Jewish Families](#) by **Steven M. Cohen** (2005)
- [Intermarriage and the Politics of Identity](#) by **Deborah Dash Moore** (2001)
- [Ethnicity, Geography and Jewish Community](#) by **Sherry Israel** (1995)

**11:15am-1:00pm**

**Philanthropy and the Construction of Jewish Masculinity:  
A British and American Perspective**

Chair and Respondent: **Melissa Klapper** (Rowan University)

*Power, Money, and Ego? Masculinizing the Practice of Philanthropy in Late-Nineteenth-Century Chicago*

**Hannah Farmer** (University of Southampton)

*"Establishing healthy minds in healthy bodies in our rising generation": Models of Masculinity in the Jewish East End, 1890–1930s*

**Susan L. Tananbaum** (Bowdoin College)

*Manufacturing Diaspora Bonds: Gift-Giving, Market Exchange, and the Construction of Transatlantic National Networks*

**Dan Lainer-Vos** (University of Southern California)

- [Addressing the Invitations: Are Jewish Women on the List?](#) by **Deborah Skolnick Einhorn and Nancy Schwartz Sternoff** (2009)
- [Mega Does Not Equal Male](#) by **Sally Gottesman** (2006)
- [Parallel Power Structures, Invisible Careers and the Changing Nature of American Jewish Women's Philanthropy](#) by **Susan M. Chambré** (2000)
- [Shifting the Fund-Raising Paradigm](#) by **Raquel H. Newman** (1998)

**2:00-4:00pm**

**Cultural Patronage/Cultural Policy**

Chair: **Ari Y. Kelman** (University of California, Davis)

*A History of Alternative Jewish Cultural Production*

**Ayala Fader** (Fordham University)

*Artists as Emissaries? Using the Encounter with Art as a Means of Connecting Jews to Judaism*

**Bethamie Horowitz** (New York University)

*Jewish Cultural Patronage and Artistic Expression: Case Studies in Israel and the United States*

**Galeet Dardashti** (University of Texas at Austin)

*On Patrons, Protégés and "Pet Negroes": The Relationship of Fannie Hurst and Zora Neale Hurston*

**Alisa Braun** (Hebrew College)

- [Cultivating Art, Artists, and Audiences: An Evaluation of the Six Points Fellowship for Emerging Jewish Artists](#) by **Bethamie Horowitz** (2009)
- [Cultural Events and Jewish Identities: Young Adult Jews in New York](#) by **Steven M. Cohen** and **Ari Y. Kelman** (2005)
- [Michal and Tovah: Ties That Bind Us](#) by **Galeet Dardashti** (2009)
- [Jewish Culture in the Public Sphere](#) by **Aaron Bisman** (2009)
- [Consumers and Producers: Rethinking the Jewish Cultural Renaissance](#) by **Stephen Hazan-Arnoff** and **Saul Kaiserman** (2006)

**2:00-4:00pm**

**Jews, Race, and Comparative Ethnic Studies**

Chair: **Rachel Rubinstein** (Hampshire College)

*Scholars and Knights: Cross-Racial Friendship in the Early Civil Rights Movement*

**Lori Harrison-Kahan** (Boston College)

*Ethnic Autobiography and the American Political Self*

**Jennifer Glaser** (University of Cincinnati)

*Lore Segal's First (African) American*

**Dean Franco** (Wake Forest University)

*Seeing Authenticity: "Black Jews" and Whiteness*

**Ken Koltun-Fromm** (Haverford College)

- [African American-Jewish Relations: an AJC History](#) (2007)
- [Blacks and Jews in America: History, Myths, and Realities](#) by **Jerome Chanes** (2006)
- [Separate Paths: Blacks and Jews in the Twentieth-Century South](#) by **Deborah Dash Moore** (1997)
- [Jewish Attitudes Toward Blacks and Race Relations](#) by **Tom Smith** (1990)
- [An Uneasy Alliance: Jews and Blacks in the United States, 1945-1953](#) by **David Singer** (1978)
- [The Negro and the Jew](#) by **Alex Rosen** (1967)

**2:00-4:00pm**

## **New Perspectives on Jewish Women and the Feminist Revolution**

*Sponsored by the Jewish Women's Archive*

Chair and Respondent: **Karla A. Goldman** (University of Michigan)

*A "Unique Bridge" between Feminist Cultures: Ellen Willis, Radical Feminism, and the Jewish Question*

**Joyce Antler** (Brandeis University)

*Jewish Feminism: The Perspective of a Historian/Participant*

**Paula E. Hyman** (Yale University)

*Telling a New Story in New Ways: Jewish Women and the Feminist Revolution*

**Judith Rosenbaum** (Jewish Women's Archive)

- [Feminism and Heresy: The Construction of a Jewish Metanarrative](#) by **Adam Ferziger** (2009)
- [Authenticity, Autonomy, and Authority: Feminist Jewish Learning among Post-Soviet Women](#) by **Lisa Grant** (2008)
- [Modernizing Orthodoxies: The Case of Feminism](#) by **Yehudah Mirsky** (2007)
- [Renewing the Ritual of Get](#) by **Judith Rosenbaum** and **Or Rose** (2005)
- [Feminist Scholarship and Jewish Studies](#) by **Lynn Davidman** and **Shelly Tenenbaum** (2002)
- [Who is an Educated Jew?](#) by **Paula Hyman** (2002)
- [Orthodox Feminism and the Next Century](#) by **Blu Greenberg** (2000)
- [Expanding the Jewish Feminist Agenda](#) by **Judith Plaskow** (2000)
- [At the Borders, At the Margins: Feminist Theory, Jewish Studies, and Identity Politics](#) by **Sara Horowitz** (1998)
- [The Impact of Feminism on the Contemporary American Jewish Community](#) by **Sylvia Barack Fishman** (1989)
- [Feminism: Giving Birth to a New Judaism](#) by **Martha Ackelsberg** (1981)

**2:00-4:00pm**

## **Identities in Transition**

Chair: **Charles Kadushin** (Brandeis University)

*Movement among the Movements: Intergenerational Denominational Change in American Jewry*

**Mervin F. Verbit** (Touro College/Brooklyn College)

*Shifts in the Denominational Affiliation of American Jews*

**Benjamin Phillips** (Brandeis University)

*Family Relations of Newly Orthodox Women in Argentina*

**Roberta G. Sands** (University of Pennsylvania)

*The Politics of Recognition and the Identities of Newly Found Jews*

**Stuart Zane Charme** (Rutgers University)

- [An Experiment to Strengthen Jewish Identity](#) by **Len Saxe, Charles Kadushin, Archie Brodsky** (2001)
- [Children of the Movements: Differences Among American Jewish University Students Raised in Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Homes](#) by **Mervin Verbit** (1985)
- [Reconceptualizing Religious Change: Ethno-Apostasy and Change in Religion among American Jews](#) by **Benjamin Phillips** and **Shaul Kelner** (2006)
- [The Paradox of Argentina](#) by **Noga Tarnopolsky** (2003)

**4:15-6:15pm**

**Marshall Sklare Memorial Award Lecture**

*Sponsored by the Association for the Social Scientific Study of Jewry*

Chair: **Harriet Hartman** (Rowan University)

*The Demise of the "Good Jew": How Much American Jewish Identities and Their Measurement Have Changed*

**Steven Martin Cohen** (HUC-JIR)

Discussants: **Sarah Bunin Benor** (HUC-JIR), **Ari Y. Kelman** (University of California, Davis), **Shaul Kelner** (Vanderbilt University)

- [Highly Engaged Young American Jews: Contrasts in Generational Ethos - Interview with Steven M. Cohen](#) (2010) by **Manfred Gerstenfeld**
- [The Continuity of Discontinuity: How Young Jews Are Connecting, Creating, and Organizing Their Own Jewish Lives](#) by **Steven M. Cohen** and **Ari Y. Kelman** (2007)
- [Toward the Study of Community Effects on Jewish Engagement: The Case of Educational Enrollment](#) by **Steven M. Cohen** and **Shaul Kelner** (2007)
- [Survey of American Jewish Language and Identity](#) by **Steven M. Cohen** and **Sarah Bunin Benor** (2009)
- [Dimensions of Jewish Identity Among American Jews](#) by **Harriet Hartman** (1997)

**Monday, December 20**

**8:30-10:30am**

**Reorganizing the American Jewish Community: What Can Changes in the American Philanthropic/Nonprofit Sector Tell Us About Judaism and Jewish Life?**

Chair: **Andrea M. Most** (University of Toronto)

Discussants: **Caryn Aviv** (University of Colorado at Boulder), **Paul Burstein** (University of Washington), **Felicia Herman** (The Natan Fund), **J. Shawn Landres** (Jumpstart)

- [Haskalah 2.0](#) by **Caryn Aviv** (2010)
- [Pluralism, Jews, and Equal Employment Opportunity](#) by **Paul Burstein** (1989)
- [Seeding the Ecosystem of the Jewish Future](#) by **Felicia Herman** and **J. Shawn Landres** (2009)
- [Funding Innovation](#) by **Felicia Herman** (2009)
- [The Innovation Ecosystem: Emergence of a New Jewish Landscape](#) by **J. Shawn Landres** and **Joshua Avedon**

**11:25am-1:00pm**

**Is the Prospect for the Future of American Jewry Positive or Negative?**

*Sponsored by Mandell L. Berman Institute–North American Jewish Data Bank*

Chair: **Laurence Kotler-Berkowitz** (United Jewish Communities)

*A Data-Based Approach to Examining the Future of American Jews*

**Ira Sheskin** (University of Miami)

Discussants: **Arnold Dashefsky** (University of Connecticut at Storrs), **Sergio DellaPergola** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem), **Harriet Hartman** (Rowan University), **Bethamie Horowitz** (New York University), **Bruce A. Phillips** (HUC-JIR)

- [Informal Social Networks and Formal Organizational Memberships Among American Jews](#) by **Charles Kadushin** and **Laurence Kotler-Berkowitz** (2006)
- [Local Jewish Community Studies as Planning Tools for the American Jewish Community](#) by **Ira Sheskin** (2009)
- [Jewish Identity/Assimilation/Continuity: Approaches to a Changing Reality](#) by **Sergio DellaPergola** (2007)
- [From Data to Knowledge: A Strategy to Decipher Trends in American Jewish Life](#) by **Bethamie Horowitz** (2006)
- [American Judaism in the 21st Century](#) by **Bruce Phillips** (2005)
- [The Quest for Continuity in the North American Jewish Community](#) by **Arnold Dashefsky** (1998)
- [Dimensions of Jewish Identity Among American Jews](#) by **Harriet Hartman** (1997)

**4:30-6:30pm**

**Demography: Past and Present**

Chair: **Theodore Sasson** (Middlebury College)

*Jewish Inter-marriage in Comparative Context*

**Bruce A. Phillips** (HUC-JIR)

*U.S. Jewry 2010: Estimates of the Size and Characteristics of the Population*

**Leonard Saxe** (Brandeis University)

*Narrative Responses to Demographic Findings: Jewish Identity and the “Ever-Dying” People*

**Debra Renee Kaufman** (Northeastern University)

*The American Jewish Year Book: The Prism for Refracting a Century of Jewish Life*

**Jerome A. Chanes** (The Graduate Center, CUNY)

- [Qualitative Research on American Jewry](#) by Theodore Sasson (2006)
- [Assimilation, Transformation, and the Long Range Impact of Inter-marriage](#) by Bruce A. Phillips (2005)
- [Reconsidering the Size and Characteristics of the American Jewish Population](#) by Leonard Saxe et. al (2006)
- [Decentering the Study of Jewish Identity: Opening the Dialogue with Other Religious Groups](#) by Debra Kaufman and Harriet Hartman (2006)
- [A Primer on the American Jewish Community](#) by Jerome A. Chanes (2008)

**Tuesday, December 21**

**8:30-10:30am**

**Jewish Cyberculture**

Chair: **Andrea Lieber** (Dickinson College)

*Registering for a Faithful House in Israel: Cyberspace and Jewish Space*

**Vanessa Ochs** (University of Virginia)

*Jewish Bookselling on the Internet: Marketing Jewish Literacy*

**Laurence D. Roth** (Susquehanna University)

*The Jewish Joke Online*

**Simon Bronner** (Penn State University)

*Jewish Empowerment in Cyberspace: The Lessons of "Mishpacha"*

**Peter Margolis** (Temple University)

- [Engaging Jewish Communities through the Web: Survey Study](#) by **Joy Livingston** (2010)
- [Real Identity in a Virtual World: The Identities of Jewish Teenagers as Expressed in Social Networking Websites and Virtual Worlds](#) by **David Bryfman** (2009)
- [My Second Life Body](#) by **Chava Weissler** (2009)
- [Scholarly Communication in the Twenty-first Century: A Changing Landscape](#) by **Heidi Lerner** (2009)
- [Diarna: Digitally Mapping Mizrahi Heritage](#) by **Jason Guberman-Pfeffer, Frances Malino** (2009)
- [New Jewish Matchmaking: A Quantitative Analysis of JDate Users](#) by **Miriam Friedman** (2009)
- [Saving Budapest's Jewish Quarter: Can it Be Done by Second Life?](#) By **Julian Voloj** (2008)
- [Jewish Education in the Age of Google](#) by **Jonathan Woocher** (2006)

**8:30-10:30am**

**Israel and Diaspora(s): Convergences and Divergences**

Chair: **Jonathan D. Sarna** (Brandeis University)

*Israel–Diaspora: Demographic, Socioeconomic, and Identificational Convergences and Divergences*

**Sergio DellaPergola** (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

*Ideological Controversies: Israeli Revisionisms, Eliezer Ben-Rafael (Tel Aviv University)*  
*Latin American Jewish Life: New Paths of Interaction and New Worlds of Identities*

**Judit Bokser Liwerant** (UNAM Mexico)

*Europe's Jews between Changing Worlds*

**Julius Schoeps** (Moses Mendelssohn Centre for European Jewish Studies)

- [A Projection of America as it Ought to Be: Zion in the Mind's Eye of American Jews](#) by **Jonathan Sarna** (1996)
- [Jewish Population Trends in Israel and the Diaspora](#) by **Sergio DellaPergola** (2003)
- [American Jewish Demography: Implications for US-Israel Relations](#) by **Ira Sheskin** (2009)

**10:45-12:15pm**

**Israel-Diaspora Relations: Past and Present**

Chair: **Miriam Bodian** (University of Texas at Austin)

*"Bonding" the Jewish People: Marking Sixty Years since the Historic Jerusalem Conference, a Watershed in Israel-Diaspora Cooperation*

**Natan Aridan** (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev)

*The U.S. Israel Lobby: Public Opinion Polls and the Sociology of Contemporary Zionism*

**Barry A. Kosmin** (Trinity College)

*American and Canadian Soldiers in Israel's War of Independence*

**Samuel Z. Klausner** (University of Pennsylvania)

*Struggle for Cooperation and Integration: American Zionists and the Question of Israel in the Middle East in the 1940s and 1950s*

**Zohar Segev** (University of Haifa)

- [Peoplehood -- Thin and Strong: Rethinking Israel-Diaspora Relations for a New Century](#) by **Yehuda Mirsky** (2010)
- [What Does Martyrdom Lore Tell Us?](#) By **Miriam Bodian** (2009)
- [North American Conservative Jewish Teenagers' Attachment to Israel](#) by **Barry A. Kosmin** (1999)
- [The Conversion of American Jewry](#) by **Samuel Z. Klausner** (1991)
- [American Jewry and the State of Israel: How Intense the Bonds of Peoplehood?](#) By **Steven Bayme** (2008)
- [Wrestling and Hugging: Alternative paradigms for the Diaspora-Israel relationship](#) by **Robbie Gringras** (2006)

**3:45-5:45pm**

**Learning to Do Good: Jewish Young Adult Involvement in Service**

Chair: **Leonard Saxe** (Brandeis University)

*The "Who, What, and Why" of Jewish Young Adult Service: The Post-College Years*

**Matthew E. Boxer** (Brandeis University) and **Joshua Tobias** (Brandeis University)

*Missing Roadmaps and Potential Pathways: Trajectories of Civic Engagement for Jewish Service Learning Alumni*

**Fern Chertok** (Brandeis University) and **Shirah Rosin** (Brandeis University)

*Reaching out in Boston: Engaging Jewish Young Adults in Meaningful Community Service*

**Nahma Nadich** (Jewish Community Relations Council of Boston)

- [The Second Year: Evaluation of the Break New Ground Jewish Service Learning Initiative](#) by **Fern Chertok, Nicole Samuel, Joshua Tobias** (2010)
- [Justice, Justice Shall They Pursue: Young Adult Interest in Long-Term Jewish Service Options](#) by **Fern Chertok** and **Nicole Samuel** (2008)
- [Tzedek and Chesed: Re-Thinking the Relationship between Advocacy and Service](#) by **Sid Schwarz** (2010)
- [Jewish Service Learning: What Is and What Could Be: A Summary of an Analysis of the Jewish Service Learning Landscape](#) by **Jill Bair** and **Ellen Irie** (2008)
- [Jewish Service and Global Citizenship: Transforming Experience into Action](#) by **Ruth Messinger** (2008)